Conference of District Magistrates on Administrative reforms

1972. SHRI JANARDAN DWIVEDI:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the measures Government propose to take to give concrete shape and implementation thereof to the Prime Minister's telling the gathering of 354 District Magistrates in Delhi during June that "they should have a fixed tenure and that, in any case, they must never be transferred for political reasons";

(b) whether Government would initially arriving at a concensus with the State Governments in this regard as different political parties run the State Governments, so that uniform acceptable guidelines are issued to this effect; and

(c) by when such an exercise is likely to be completed ensuring, at the same time, that scope of legal infirmities in such guidelines in avoided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) The Central Government has initiated a proposal for amendment of relevant All India Services rules and regulations to provide for a fixed tenure of posting of All India Services officers at various levels.

(b) The Government would consult State Governments and would give due consideration to their views while taking a decision on the issue.

(c) No time frame has been fixed for amending the rules, as the process requires consultation with State Governments, Ministry of Law etc.

Watchdog Committees to assess government's performance

1973. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to constitute watchdog committees to assess the performance of the various Ministries and Departments of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof including their composition, tenure, functions and their *modus operandi*;